

FUEL MANAGEMENT GUIDELINES			
Firewise Environment	Requirements	Recommendations	Comments
Zone 1			
0-10 feet from structure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Remove all pine needles & flammable ground materials. *Remove all ladder fuels. *Min 10 feet between crowns of native trees or "clumps" (max 4 trees/clump). *Prune trees extending over eave of roof. *Remove branches within 15' of chimney. *Use only approved decking materials. *Use non-flammable landscape material, (ex: no railroad ties, wood fencing, etc). *Prune limbs to min 8 feet from ground or 25% of tree height, which ever is less. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Minimize flammable vegetation in this zone. *Maintain non-combustible ground material 2-3 feet around structure, (Planting beds, rock gardens, gravel or bare soil). *Keep roof and rain-gutters clear of needles and leaves. 	Wildfire is the #1 fire threat to our area. The goal in this zone is to reduce creeping ground fire. What is done now will greatly enhance structure survivability and firefighter safety.
Zone 2			
10-50 feet from structure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Remove pine needles and flammable ground materials *Remove all ladder fuels. *Min 10 feet between stems of native trees or "clumps", (max 5 feet trees/clump). *Crowns of stems or between "clumps" <i>do not touch</i>. *10-15 feet between planting islands & groups of shrubs. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Maintain low combustible ground covers. *Keep lawns watered, (as conditions allow). *Consider planting beds, rock gardens, xeriscaping and fire resistant plants. *Use bedding plants (<18" high). *Consider non-flammable landscape material. * Prune native tree limbs min 8 feet from ground or 25% of tree height, which ever is less. 	The goal in this zone is to reduce radiant heat and short-range spotting.
Zone 3			
From 50 feet to property boundary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Max densities for native trees per Flagstaff Fire Department approval. *Remove all ladder fuels. *15 feet between stems of native trees or "clumps" (max 5 trees/clump) *20 feet between planting islands. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Consider coordination with neighboring properties. * Prune native tree limbs min 8 feet from ground or 25% of tree height, which ever is less. *Store firewood and other combustibles in this Zone. 	Treatment in this zone will create conditions unfavorable to crown fire.

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